



WILLIAM the Third, by the Grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith, &c. To all the Nobility and Gentry of our Kingdoms of England, Scotland and Ireland, and to all other our Loving Subjects of what Degree and Quality soever, Greeting.

Whereas Richard Blome of London Gent. our Cosmographical Printer, hath represented unto us, that he hath undertaken the Printing a New Survey, or Description of our Cities of LONDON and WESTMINSTER, with the Liberties and Parts adjacent; as also of the several AMERICAN PLANTATIONS, which will be Illustrated with a great many useful Ichnographical Maps of the Respective Wards and Parishes, together with Maps of the several Plantations, and other Ornamental Sculptures: The particulars of which said Work, will be set forth in his Papers of Proposals published in that behalf. And being given to understand by the Certificate of several persons of Honour, that the said Work will be of great use, and very acceptable to all our Loving Subjects, and especially to the Curious; We have thought fit at the Humble Request of the said Richard Blome, to Declare our Royal Approbation of the said Undertaking; And out of our Princely desire to promote all such commendable and useful Works, and the better to enable him to compleat the same, and Collect such Remarks as shall be thought necessary for that end; We do hereby earnestly Recommend the said Richard Blome, and this his Undertaking to you, and every of you, to the end that by your Assisting him in such particulars as shall be desired, together with your generous Subscriptions, he may be encouraged to perfect and finish the said Work. And whereas the said Richard Blome hath informed us, that he shall be at great expences for Printing the said Work, We being willing to give him all the Encouragement such a Work deserves, Do by these Presents, Grant to him the said Richard Blome, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns our Royal Licence for the Sole Printing and Vending the said Volume of the Survey, or Description of our said Cities of London and Westminster, with the Parts adjacent, together with the Description of our American Plantations, for the full Term of fourteen years from the date hereof, strictly charging and forbidding all our Subjects, within our Kingdoms and Dominions to Reprint the said Books in whole, or in part, or in any other Volume, or in any Language whatsoever, or to Copy or counterfeit any of the said Maps or Sculptures in the said Volume, and to vend the same, during the aforesaid Term of fourteen years, without the consent and approbation of the said Richard Blome, his Heirs, Executors or Assigns, by Writing under his or their Hands and Seals first obtained, as they will answer the contrary at their Perils; Whereof the Master, Wardens and Company of Stationers are to take notice, that the same may be entred in their Register, and that due obedience be yeilded thereunto. Given at our Court at Kensington the 27th day of November 1695, in the 7th year of our Reign.

By his Majesty's Command,

WILLIAM TRUMBALL.

PROPOSALS

For the Printing a Description of the Cities of London and Westminster, with the Liberties and Parts adjacent, according to their present State. And for as much as our American Plantations are of such great concern in way of Trade, &c. to this City and Kingdom, there shall be Printed a Description thereof and that according to these particulars, by Richard Blome, his Majesty's Cosmographical Printer, Dwelling in New Weldstreet, at the Green Pallisado Pails, near Clare Market; where Proposals are delivered, and Subscriptions taken for the same, and where the Work may be Inspect'd every Tuesday and Thursday in the Afternoons.

For avoiding of Abuses, no Money to be paid, without a Printed Receipt Engraven on Copper, and signed by the said Richard Blome.

Finding that no Subject is so acceptable to the Generality, as that which concerns the Nation, and none more wanting, more useful, and more Honourable than an Historical Account of the Cities of London and Westminster, as also of the American Plantations; as to their present State: But finding that this Undertaking (which by Computation will make so large a Folio,) could not be so well performed, without his Majesty's Royal Countenance, as well from the several Officers in Church, State, and Civil Affairs, for the giving their Assistance in the Communicating of such things as are necessary to be taken notice of for compleating the Work; as for an Encouragement by Subscriptions, for their private Libraries, and publick Halls, or Court Rooms of the Incorporated Companies and Societies, &c. the better to Embolden the said Richard Blome to carry on so Chargable a Work. And upon the Humble Petition of the said Richard Blome for the same, his Majesty (well approving of so Good a Work) was Graciously pleased to Grant these his Royal Letters Recommendatory, with his Royal Licence for the Sole Printing the said Work; upon which the said Richard Blome hath Undertaken the same, which shall be Digested into a Good Method by able Hands, and divided into three Parts, and that according to these particulars.

Part I. Will be a Topographical Description of the said Cities of London and Westminster, with the Parts adjacent, as to their Situation, Extent, Division into Wards, Liberties and Parishes; giving an Account of the Streets, Lanes, Alleys and Courts. Of the Rivers, Aqueducts, Gates, Posterns, Towers, Cathedrals and other Churches, the Exchanges, Custom-house and Keys; the Colledges, Free schools, Halls, Hospitals, Prisons, Houses of Correction, with other Buildings of note. The Inhabitants as to their Government, Trade and Commerce, their Ceremonies used at the Election of their Magistrates, with what is committed to their Care and Management, as well for the 26 Wards of London, as the Liberties of Westminster: Of the Lord Mayor, Sheriffs, Recorder, Aldermen and their Deputies, the Common-Council Men: The Steward and Head Bayliff of Westminster: Of Church-wardens, Constables, &c. with the respective Duties to be by them performed. The Courts of Judicature, the Judges and Chief Offices and Officers belonging to each Court. The Inns of Court and Chancery. The Incorporated Societies, and Companies of Merchants and Tradesmen, as to their Immunities, Government, Trade, &c.

Part II. Shall be a Geographical Description of the American Plantations, belonging to the Crown of England, viz. Barbados, Antego, Mevis, and other the Cariby Islands, Jamaica, Bermudes, Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New England, New York, New Jersey, &c. and that in a larger manner than hitherto done, as to their Situation. Richard Blome Publishes these his Proposals.

The PROPOSALS.

I. Those that please for the Advancement of so Good and Honourable a Work, to Subscribe and pay to the said Richard Blome, or his lawful Assigns Thirty five shillings, shall have one of the said Books in Sheets; Fifteen shillings to be paid upon the delivery of a printed Receipt Engraven on Copper, and signed by the said Richard Blome, and Twenty shillings upon the delivery of one of the said Books in Sheets; and upon the Finishing publick notice shall be given, to the end the Subscribers may repair for their Books, bringing with them their said printed Receipts signed by the said Richard Blome. And as a Memorial of their Encouragements, there shall be printed at the beginning of the Book, a List of the Names and Titles of such Subscribers, that return the same to the said Richard Blome to be so inserted.

II. Those that please to be further Encouragers of the said Work, may have their Names, Titles and Coats of Arms (so as allowed by the Heralds) Engraven to a Sculpture, paying the Charges thereof. And such as please may have the Prospect of their House Engraven, paying the Charges thereof, and supplying the said Richard Blome with a Draught of the same, and upon the Receipt of the Money for the same; the said Richard Blome to give his Receipt, with an Obligation that the same shall be printed to the said Books.

III. Such as procure Subscriptions for six of the said Books, and return the same to the said Richard Blome, shall have one in Sheets gratis. 'Tis desired, that such as think fit to be Subscribers, do return their Subscriptions and first Payments

ments to the said *Richard Blome*, at his House in new *Weld-street*, as aforesaid, by or before our *Lady-day 1696*, at which time the *Book* will be put into the *Press*, in order to a speedy Finishing, hoped not to exceed *Michaelmas Term 1696*. The *Impression* being intended to consist but of a sufficient quantity of *Books*, as to Accommodate the *Subscribers* with.

And for the convenience to such as *Subscribe*, the said *Richard Blome* hath made choice of these following persons to take *Subscriptions*, and to receive the first payments, *viz.* Mr. *Samuel Lounds*, by the *Savoy Gate* in the *Strand*; Mr. *Abel Roper*, at the *Black Boy* in *Fleetstreet*, against *St. Dun-*

stans Church; Mr. *Robert Clavel*, at the *Peacock* at the *West end of St. Pauls*, and Mr. *John Soutby* at the *Harrow in Cornhill*, *Bookellers*.

And for the avoiding of mistakes, such as *Subscribe* are desired to see their *Names* entred down in a *Subscription Book* left with each party, with their *Titles* and *Seats*, how to be taken notice of in the *Book* as aforesaid, and upon their first Payment to take a printed *Receipt*, signed by the said *Richard Blome*; which is to be kept, as Entitling them to a *Book*, which upon the *Receipt* thereof is to be delivered up as aforesaid.

For Advancement of the said Work, I promise to take of the said Richard Blome, his Executors, Administrators, or lawful Assigns, One of the said Books, and pay the Money due according to the first Proposal by me signed unto, Witness my Hand this

day of

Anno Domini 169

An Account of some Volumes Printed for the said Richard Blome, dwelling in New Weldstreet at the Green Pallisado Pails near Clare Market; which the Nobility and Gentry may be accommodated with, at easie Rates.

The *History of the Old and New Testament*, treating of the most remarkable Transactions therein, with good and useful *Morals*, for the better government of our Actions in all Conditions. To which are added, the *Travels, Voyages and Lives of the Apostles*; with a large *Historical Chronology* of such Matters of Note that are related in the *Bible*: Collected and Translated by good *Hands*, from *Authentick Authors*. The whole Illustrated with about 240 *Sculptures*, of the most remarkable Passages, performed by good *Artists*, far surpassing any *Collection* hitherto done, to the end it may be the more acceptable to the Curious. This *Work* is Printed in *Two Volumes* in large *Folio*, of a fair Print, and chiefly designed for the Curious.

The said *Work* is likewise Printed in large *Octavo*, with all the *Sculptures*, as designed for a more general Sale, to Instruct *Young*, in the *Historical* parts of the *Bible*: *Sculptures* being lively *Emblems*, to imprint the same in their *Memories*.

The *Gentleman's Recreation* in *Two Parts* in large *Folio*. The first, of the *Liberal and Mathematical Sciences*; which in a brief and clear Method treats of the *Doctrin* and *General Parts* of each *Art*, with *Elliptical Tables* engraven on *Copper Plates*, for the better comprehending the same. The Second Part at large treats of *Hoysmanship, Hawking, Hunting, Fowling, Fishing and Agriculture*; all being Collected from the most *Authentick Authors*, and the many gross Errors therein Corrected, with great *Enlargements* made by those well Experienced therein. And for the better Explanation thereof great variety of useful *Sculptures*, as *Nets, Engins, Traps, &c.* are added, for the taking of *Beasts, Fowl and Fish*, not Published by any: Nothing material being omitted for the rendering them Compleat. The whole Illustrated with about 86 *Ornamental Copper Plates*; in *Folio*.

Legrand's Body of Philosophy, in *Folio*, according to the *Principles* of the *Famous Renate Des Cartes*, in *3 Books*: The first, the *Institution* in *40 Parts*; 1. *Logick*. 2. *Natural Theology*. 3. *Demonology or Creased Spirits*.

4. *Phyicks or Natural Philosophy*, generally considered. 5. *Special Natural Philosophy* those *World and Heavens*. 6. Of the four great *Bodies, Earth, Water, Air and Fire*, and what have their rise from them, where of *Metalls* and *Meteors*. 7. Of *Living Creatures* in general, and in particular of *Plants* and *Animals*. 8. Of *Man*, in respect of his *Body*. 9. *Man*, as to his *Mind and Soul*. And 10. *Ethicks or Moral Philosophy*, treating of *Man's* right ordering his *Life*. The Second Book, *viz.* the *History of Nature*, which Illustrates the *Institution*, and consists of great variety of *Experiments* relating thereto, and explained by the same *Principles*, in *9 Parts*; 1. Of *Bodies*. 2. Of *Qualities*. 3. Of the *Earth and Heavens*. 4. Of the *Earth, Water, Air and Fire*, 5. Of *Things dug out of the Earth*. 6. Of *Meteors*. 7. Of *Plants*. 8. Of *Animals*: And, 9. Of *Man*. The Third Book; Being a *Dissertation* of the want of *Sense* and *Knowledge* in *Brute Animals*, giving a *Mechanical account* of their *Operations*. The whole carefully *Translated* from the last *Corrections, Alterations* and large *Additions* of the said *Author* Mr. *Le Grand*, never yet published: And *Illustrated* with about 96 *Ornamental Sculptures*, dispersed to such places as best admit thereof; designed and done by good *Artists*: Besides the *Figures* and *Schemes*, for the *Explanation* of the *Philosophical Parts* that require the same, by a *Mathematical Demonstration*. Endeavoured to be so done, as to be of *Use* and *Delight* to the Curious of both *Sexes*.

Cosmography and Geography in *Two Parts* in *Folio*. The First, of the *Arts of Cosmography and Geography*, being a *Translation* of the much *Esteemed VARENUS*. The Second Part is a *Geographical Description* of the *World*, from the *Works* of the *Famous Geographer Monsieur SANSON*; with about 100 *Geographical Tables* of the *Kingdoms and Isles in the World*, with their *Chief Places*, drawn from the *Maps* of the *several Kingdoms*, which Illustrates this *Work*. And to this *Impression* are added the *County Maps of England*, drawn from those of *Speed's*, in a *smaller Scale*.